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REMARKS

Claims 41-47, 58-67, 72 and 74-77 are pending. Claims 1-40, 48-57, 68-71, 73 and 78-80 are canceled. Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application addressed to any non-elected embodiment. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and allowance of the application as amended.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 42-47, 57, 65-67, 73, 76, 77 and 81 were indicated as allowable by the Examiner. By this amendment, claim 41 is amended to include the subject matter of claim 57, claim 42 is rewritten in independent form, claim 64 is amended to include the subject matter of claim 73, claim 65 is rewritten in independent form, claim 75 is amended to include the subject matter of claim 81, and claim 76 is rewritten in independent form.

All independent claims therefore include subject matter indicated as allowable by the Examiner. Applicants therefore request reconsideration and withdrawal of all outstanding rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102 and 35 U.S.C. § 103 and allowance of the application.

CONCLUSION

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required for the timely consideration of this Response under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 09-0528.

Respectfully submitted,

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